

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Deval L. Patrick, Governor

Aaron Gornstein, Undersecretary

Public Housing Notice 2014-25

TO: All Local Housing Authority Executive Directors

FROM: Steven Carvalho, Acting Associate Director Division of Public Housing and Rental Assistance

SUBJECT: Blanket Property, Crime and Boiler & Machinery Insurance

Massachusetts State-Aided Housing Programs

Policy Period - 11/17/14 to 11/17/15

DATE: November 19, 2014

DHCD has just completed a renewal for Blanket Property, Boiler & Machinery and Crime Insurance for local housing authorities, state-aided housing programs for the coming coverage period beginning 11/17/14 through 11/17/15. The result of that process was the renewal of insurance coverage with Sullivan Group as broker. There will be many layers of property insurance: Lexington Insurance is the primary carrier for property coverage, Liberty Mutual will be the insurer for Boiler & Machinery coverage, and National Union the insurer for Crime coverage.

The new per unit premium rate for this policy through November 17, 2015 is \$96.60. This represents an increase of \$1.60 over last year's rate. Over the past four (4) years many claims were filed as a direct result of weather conditions and numerous large fires, however market conditions have allowed us to minimize the increase in premium levels for property insurance coverage.

Your insurance premium invoice will be sent by the Sullivan Group. The rate is set at \$96.60 per unit according to DHCD's budget records that indicate the number of state-aided units at your LHA (MRVP units are excluded) as of December 31, 2012. If there is a discrepancy with the number of units indicated on your bill, please pay the premium amount as billed, and call Ayo Yakubu-Owolewa at 617-573-1233 to resolve the issue.

You must pay your bill WITHIN 10 DAYS receipt of your bill directly to Sullivan Group.

The following is the contact person at Sullivan Group for making a claim:

Beth Grenier Sullivan Group One Chestnut Place Worcester, MA 01608-2804 1-508-471-9022

If you have any other questions about the policy, procedures, coverage or the billing, please call or email Ayo Yakubu-Owolewa, ayo.yakubu-owolewa@state.ma.us.